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Statement Issued by B. C. Hernandez, Regarding Income Tax For The Year 1921.

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The following statement was issued by B. C. Hernandez, collector of internal revenue:

With the approach of the period for filing income tax returns—January 1 to March 15, 1922—taxpayers are advised to lose no time in the compilation of their accounts for the year 1921. A new and important provision of the revenue act of 1921 is that every person whose gross income for 1921 was \$5,000 or over shall file a return, regardless of the amount of net income upon which the tax is assessed. Returns are required of every single person whose net income was \$1,000 or over and every married person living with husband or wife whose net income was \$2,000 or over. Widows and widowers and persons separated from husband and wife, are regarded as single persons.

Net income is gross income, less certain deductions for business expenses, losses, taxes, etc. Gross income includes practically all income received by the taxpayer during the year; in the case of the wage earner, salaries, wages, bonuses and commissions; in the case of professional men, all amount received for professional services; in the cases of the farmers all profits from the sale of farm products, and rental or sale of land.

In the making of an income tax return for the year 1921, every taxpayer should present to himself the following questions:

What were your profits from your business, trade, profession or vocation? Did you receive any interest on bank deposits? Have you any property from which you received rent?

Did you receive any income in the form of dividend or interest from stocks or bonds? Did you receive any bonuses during the year? Did you make any profit on the sale of stocks, bonds, or other property, real or personal?

Did you act as a broker in any transaction from which you received commissions? Are you interested in any partnership or other firm from which you receive any income?

Have you an income from royalties or patents? Have you any minor children who are working?

Do you appropriate, or have the right to appropriate, the earnings of such children? If so, the amount must be included in your return or reported in a separate return of income.

Did you receive any directors' fees or trustees' fees in course of the year? Did you hold any office in a benefit society from which you receive income?

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UBMITS PLAN FOR AID OF VETERANS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Following a visit to Drexel Hospital for disabled ex-service men today, Col. Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, sent a message to Col. Charles R. Fortes, director of the War Veterans' bureau at Washington, submitting a plan for lessening the financial worries of disabled soldiers. "The Christmas spirit of peace and good will finds in virtually every hospital used by your veterans' bureau, war disabled men, who are not only physically injured but whose mental worries over financial difficulties growing out of unadjusted compensations, prevents or retards their recovery," his message said.

"The clean-up campaign conducted by your bureau has left many of these cases of long standing awaiting definite decision and rating. To cheer and reassure these men at this Christmas time The American Legion submits to you the following plan for immediate action in the disposal of these neglected or suspended cases:

"The plan is simply the immediate appointment to each regional district of boards composed of necessary personnel with one member invested with authority to make bedside decisions and definitely establish ratings."

In an address at the hospital Colonel MacNider cited several cases where he said recovery was made impossible because of financial worries. This is the 39th hospital Colonel MacNider has visited since being elected head. He left tonight for Mason City, Iowa.

CHRISTMAS IN DEMING CAUSED REVIVAL IN BUYING

Christmas in Deming passed very quietly with lots of cheer and good feeling. Merchants were surprised at the amount of buying that preceded the great day and which looks like an indication of a return to normal commercial conditions.

PASSES THROUGH

W. E. Holt, the booster editor of the Lordsburg Liberal was in the city to spend Christmas with his family. He motored over from Lordsburg with Mr. and Mrs. Burney, the latter going on to El Paso for a visit.

Leonard Huffman is in the city from Los Angeles, to spend the holidays. Roy Siler and Claud Page returned to Albuquerque yesterday after spending Christmas with their parents here. Albert Lindauer came in from his ranch today.

OUT AMONG 'EM

Navajo Bill and Joe Cazzato got into the clutches of the law Saturday night, but were released pending investigations by federal prohibition officers. Deputy Sheriff L. Z. Davis made the arrest after watching the two pour what he believed to be alcohol into bottles.

Deputy Sheriff H. J. Kane took John Sherman to the penitentiary at Santa Fe last night to serve a sentence of from 2 to 5 years for robbery of guests at the Park hotel.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Wilkerson left last night for Santa Fe where he will lodge Willie Mariani in the penitentiary for safe-keeping pending the charges of forging a postal money order at Columbus.

Variance Darts was fined \$25 this morning in Judge Roger's court for being drunk and disorderly.

TRY NEW HAY BALER



George W. North, inventor of the North automatic hay baler is spending the holidays at El Paso. He writes to C. S. Cleaver that he has financed their initial efforts and will begin to assemble a number of the machines shortly after the first of the year. Meanwhile the factory which is to be placed west of the city will be built. The first machine is now engaged in baling hay on the Rio Mimbres ranch northwest of the city. Its performance is considered to be satisfactory in every way.

FIRST WHITE MAN TO CROSS CONTINENT

The first white man to perform the coast-to-coast journey across the continent of North America, and within view of the site on which Deming now stands. That was in 1536. Now white man was Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Baca and with him were Andres Dorantes, Castillo Maldonado and a negro slave Estevan. The story of Cabeza de Baca and his companions is one of the most romantic and remarkable of all stories of adventure—shipwreck, dangers by land and by sea, life among unknown savages, hunger, thirst, illness and whatever vicissitudes might be drawn from the vivid imagination of a novelist. From the vicinity of Tampa, Florida, to the Spanish settlements on the west coast of Mexico the wanderers journeyed by land and sea, giving civilized Europe the first glimpse of the great southwest and stimulating the Spanish explorers and conquerors who were to come after.

The time consumed on the journey was eight years, the four persons mentioned being the survivors of an expedition under Don Panfilo Narvaez, numbering in the beginning more than 400. Historians by no means agree as to the route which Cabeza de Baca and his companions pursued in their peregrinations, but the account of the journey by the adventurer himself brought the little party to the banks of the Rio Grande del Norte and maintained at a point above the present city of El Paso. Descriptions of the flora, fauna, topography and inhabitants indicate pretty well that the adventurer passed the Rio Grande somewhere in the vicinity of where Fort Selden once stood and that from there they took the natural pass of the country, traversing the northern part of the Mimbres Valley and heading southwest so as to strike the Yaqui river somewhere near its headwater in the Sierra Madre. One well-informed New Mexico historian takes the adventurers as far north as the present center of the state, and another historian of wide fame conducts them far to the south, near Presidio del Norte in Texas. Indications are that neither is correct. Cabeza de Baca never saw an Indian pueblo, which had he viewed one, he certainly would have described in his illuminating, but somewhat vague style. Had he gone as far north as the present village of San Marcial he would have encountered a pueblo. And as far north in Texas he would have seen buffalo in numbers which he describes as the food of the nomads

among whom he lived and who hunted the animals far to the north. Had the adventurers struck the Rio Grande far to the south they would have encountered great difficulty in negotiating the Sierra Madre mountains, there being only two passes open today between the Mexican states of Chihuahua and Sonora. Knowledge of these passes among the scattered tribes of the sixteenth century would probably be hazy and unreliable.

The mention of pison outs, cactus pears and mesquite beans as native foods in west Texas is very clear, and brought Cabeza de Baca to the first fixed habitations of the natives on the Rio Grande. The Mimbres Valley today contains ruins of just such clustered houses as the wanderer described as being the first "civilized" habitation he had encountered. These he found all the way across the Chihuahuan plain down the Yaqui valley. It is probable that the Humano Indians were the ones to whom he referred in this region as the cultivators of beans, maize and squashes. He found no corn east of the Rio Grande, but we know the natives of this region cultivated this, as well as cotton of which latter they made garments. The native copper and turquoise of this region were very well described. It is very probable therefore that Cabeza de Baca and his companions traversed the present New Mexico border counties of Dona Ana, Luna and Hidalgo.

Cabeza de Baca and his companions were not looking for scenery nor for climate and, for that matter, they were little interested in what our later writers described as "potential possibilities." The adventurers were the naked and starved survivors of several hundred who had set out to carve a kingdom out of the little known empire called "Florida"—a vague term. They were, however, greatly interested in a transcontinental route from coast-to-coast road, as many of us today. They were the forerunners of the first transcontinental stage coaches, the railroads and the motorists that follow substantially the same pass through southern New Mexico. Ordinary intelligence and the intuition suggesting a course of least resistance brought the first voyagers through the Mimbres Valley, as it is bringing the tourists of today who do not care for the mountains, to the north nor the unredeemed deserts and revolutions to the south. Cabeza de Baca passed through this region in the late fall

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GOLF TOURNAMENT WAS BIG SUCCESS

DEMING GOLF CLUB HOLDS TOURNAMENT

The first tournament of the Deming Golf Club was a success in every way. Eight players started. The 18 hole elimination round was featured by some good plays and very close scores. When the total scores for this round had been turned in it was found that C. R. Hughes, C. G. Sage, W. H. Orcutt and P. A. Hughes had qualified for the semi-finals. Their scores were 101, 113, 115 and 115, respectively.

In the semi-final round C. R. Hughes won from C. G. Sage 2 up, and W. H. Orcutt won from P. A. Hughes 1 up and 3 to play.

C. R. Hughes won the finals 3 up and 2 to play, turning in a 46 which was the best score of the day.

C. G. Sage won from P. A. Hughes in the play off for third and fourth places, 2 up. In the consolation round which was medal play C. F. Sage turned in the low score winning this round with a 57.

The totals for the four rounds played were as follows: C. R. Hughes, 199; Orcutt, 223; C. G. Sage, 224; P. A. Hughes, 231; Morgan, 234; C. F. Sage, 235; Alger, 239; Watson, 269.

PRISER-LONGBOTTOM—

Glen Priser and Miss Frances Longbottom were married at the Methodist parsonage yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Walker officiating. The bride has been a popular member of the telephone office staff and the bridegroom is an apprentice machinist at the Santa Fe shops in Albuquerque whose home up to a month ago was in Deming. The couple has gone to Albuquerque to make their home.

BEALL-BEST—

Lee Beall and Miss Vern Best were married last Friday by the Rev. Walker at the Methodist parsonage. They have gone to Carlsbad to make their home.

BOWMAN-NUNN—

L. E. Bowman of Miami, and Miss Dora Nunn, daughter of Pryor Nunn, of this city, were married by the Rev. W. E. Foulk last Friday. The happy couple went on to El Paso from where they will go to Miami to make their home.

HUXTABLE-BEARUP—

Jack Huxtable and Miss Laura Bearup were married at the Methodist church last Saturday evening, the Rev. Brown officiating. The bride's home has been in Mogollon, but the happy couple will make their home in Deming.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Melvin McKinney was in the city from Tucson, Arizona, enroute to El Paso where he will spend the holidays with his parents.

Leo Sears, manager of the Murray & Layne wholesale house at Tucson, Arizona, was a Deming visitor last week.

Sam T. Clark is up from Mexico to spend the holidays. He says that banditry is being placed under some control, but that Mexico is no place for an American. The natives do not respect Americans and are glad to have them stay out of the country, although they need the work which the enterprising North Americans provide. Colonization of Chihuahua continues south of Durban and the arable land is rapidly being taken up by Mexican colonists.

Pete McCauley, who was on the Canagie farm 26 years ago was in

NEW MEXICO STOCK INDUSTRY IN SLUMP

New Mexico's Cattle Shipments Decreased As Did Horse Shipments, As Shown By Figures.

INDUSTRY REPORTS BIG SLUMP

Horse Shipments Reached High Tide In 1918. Half Of Last Year's Shipments Went Across Border.

SANTA FE, DEC. 23.—New Mexico cattle shipments decreased 21,743 head and horse shipments 5,733 last year, says M. G. Keenan, secretary of the cattle sanitary board, in his annual report, filed in Governor Mechem's office. The cattle shipments totaled 383,566, far below the high mark reached in 1918, when they went up to 556,141, and the horse shipments totaled 6,036, the lowest mark for any year since before 1912.

Horse shipments reached high tide in 1918, when they totaled 16,168.

Nearly half of last year's shipments of horses went across the border for the Mexican government.

Keenan says the board was faced at the beginning of the year with the necessity of cutting down the force of inspectors. Cattle shipments were small, "owing to the unreasonably low prices and very little demand at that," and the outlook for revenue was "not very encouraging." Reduction in the forces he says, saved the board \$2,250 monthly.

"The conditions of the ranges," he says, "are the best New Mexico has had for years and the loss for 1921 and 1922 will undoubtedly be very light, and while the calf crop for 1921 was light in some parts of the state, the average over the state was 60 per cent and the quality improving each year."

The re-recording of brands was begun April 1, but the mailing of certificates for the re-recording of brands will not be finished before January 1, 1922, and the entering of brands on the board's books will not be finished until several months later.

The re-recording cut the number of brands from 50,000 down to 10,000, but new applications put on the books bring the total back to 23,000. Thirty-five thousand brands were recorded since the 1913 housecleaning.

Health conditions among the cattle, Mr. Keenan says, are good. Few scattered cases of the scab appeared, but these were promptly put down.

Hide inspections dropped to the lowest ebb since 1919, the biggest year since 1911, 100,000.

The board is made up of B. C. Mossman, Roswell, president; H. L. Hodge, Silver City; T. B. Burns, Tierra Amarilla; Cole Railston, Magdalena; Felipe Lucero, Las Cruces; T. J. Ross, Albuquerque.

the city last week renewing old friendships. He was enroute with Frank Ross for San Diego, California, where they will play polo.

Fred Powell is home from the State College to spend the holidays with his parents.

FOR SALE—Good 4-gallon milk cow, with or without calf. See W. A. Page, 116 W. Ash. 11p.

George McCann has purchased a new Ford Chassis from the Bassett Motor company.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bassett and family and Miss Clarice Whitehill motored to Silver City to spend Christmas.

George Rogers and Mrs. Rogers attended the Christmas exercises at Capital Dome, Friday evening.

H. G. Lyman motored to Columbus Friday on business.

WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR